

Ho-Chunk lobbyist Thomas Krajewski, was his recollection – had supported this allegation of Delaware North ownership. Records reflect, however, that opponent state lobbyists reacted with concern to the Delaware North allegations.

In a May 12 fax to Ho-Chunk President Jones, Krajewski commented on the inaccuracy of this and other assertions in Patrick O'Connor's May 8 letter:

Enclosed is a letter from O'Connor & Hannan to the White House re: Hudson. I am concerned that this letter "shades the truth." You will note that on page 2 he says that Delaware North owns the Hudson track. According to all accounts this is not accurate. If it was, Delaware North would be in trouble with the Wisconsin Gaming Commission for failing to report. He says that the Wisconsin Democratic Congressional delegation opposes the project. We are working to that end but that statement is not accurate at this time. I am concerned that this may damage the credibility of opponents to the Hudson track. I am trying to reach Larry Kitto to express my concern.²⁰⁰

Krajewski's discomfort with the Delaware North allegations apparently was shared by at least one other opponent tribal lobbyist, Ann Jablonski. In a May 23 memo to Brady Williamson (a Madison lawyer and Democratic activist), Jablonski noted that the assertions tying Delaware North to the Hudson track were inaccurate:

By the way, representation of the facts is inaccurate in this letter [from O'Connor to Ickes dated May 8, 1995]. . . . Delaware North does not own St. Croix Meadows. It owns the Kaukauna track and holds a second mortgage on Wisconsin Dells Racing. The connector to St. Croix Meadows is Tom Diehl, who will have a 1.99 percent share in the Four Feathers project (that's the casino at Hudson) and who owns the Dells track. . . .²⁰¹

²⁰⁰Corcoran's handwritten notes in his diary include a May 31, 1995, entry that reads: "Memo from T. Kraj on Delaware North." Corcoran states, nonetheless, that Krajewski never told him that Delaware North was not the owner of the Hudson dog track and that he was unaware of any such concerns.

²⁰¹Memorandum from Ann Jablonski to Brady Williamson, May 23, 1995.